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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, AUGUST 21, 2001

JOINT APPLICATION OF

VERIZON VIRGINIA INC. f/k/a
BELL ATLANTIC-VIRGINIA, INC.

and

CASE NO. PUC000204

VERIZON SOUTH INC. f/k/a
GTE SOUTH INCORPORATED

To expand local calling
between various exchanges

FOURTH ORDER PRESCRIBING NOTICE AND AUTHORIZATION
TO IMPLEMENT EXPANDED LOCAL CALLING IN PART

On July 21, 2000, Verizon Virginia Inc. ("Verizon Virginia") and Verizon South Inc. ("Verizon South") filed a Joint Application to expand local calling areas to include contiguous exchanges both within and between their respective service territories.¹ The State Corporation Commission ("Commission") has previously approved the first three phases or waves of this expanded local calling plan ("ELCP"). Verizon Virginia and Verizon South (collectively "Joint Applicants") filed their Fourth Joint Application on August 1, 2001, (hereinafter "Fourth Joint Application").

¹ Phased implementation of expanded local calling is in satisfaction of a condition of this Commission's approval of Joint Applicants' merger, ordered November 29, 1999, in Case No. PUC990100.

This Fourth Joint Application proposes to implement phase four of their ELCP which involves exchanges located primarily in the Norfolk, Richmond, and Roanoke LATAs. Joint Applicants identify the routes that will be implemented in phase four in Attachment A and Attachment B to the Fourth Joint Application. For ease of reference, both attachments are incorporated into this Order by reference and attachment. Joint Applicants propose that all routes for expanded local calling between the affected exchanges be reciprocal. The routes proposed for implementation by Verizon Virginia are shown in Attachment A to this Order, and the routes proposed for implementation by Verizon South are shown in Attachment B to this Order.

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of the Fourth Joint Application and applicable law, finds that Verizon Virginia should implement the fourth phase of its proposed ELCP for all routes as set out in Attachment A of the Fourth Joint Application except for routes originating from the Pearisburg exchange.

The Commission finds that Verizon South should implement the fourth phase of its proposed ELCP for all routes identified in Attachment B of the Fourth Joint Application except for routes originating from Barnesville, Bowling Green, Boynton, Callao, Capron, Charlotte Court House, Chase City, Clarksville,

Colonial Beach, Dawn, Deltaville, Disputanta, Doswell, Drakes Branch, Emporia, Farnham, Hague, Heathsville, Irvington, Jarratt, Keysville, Kilmarnock, King William, King & Queen, Lawrenceville, Lively, Montross, Old Church, Port Royal, Reedville, Saluda, South Brunswick, Stony Creek, Tappahannock, and Warsaw exchanges.

The Commission finds that customers served in the above identified Verizon Virginia and Verizon South exchanges, which would be billed in a higher rate group² upon implementation of the proposed ELCP, should first receive notice and an opportunity to comment or request a hearing on whether to implement the expanded calling.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) Verizon Virginia shall implement the fourth phase of the ELCP set out in Attachment A of the Fourth Joint Application (attached hereto) except for routes originating from the Pearisburg exchange.

(2) Verizon South shall implement the fourth phase of the ELCP for routes set out in Attachment B of the Fourth Joint Application (attached hereto) except for routes originating from Barnesville, Bowling Green, Boynton, Callao, Capron, Charlotte Court House, Chase City, Clarksville, Colonial Beach, Dawn,

² Only customers of the Community Plus option of Verizon South's Optional Calling Plan in the Port Royal and Reedville exchanges would experience a rate increase under the ELCP.

Deltaville, Disputanta, Doswell, Drakes Branch, Emporia, Farnham, Hague, Heathsville, Irvington, Jarratt, Keysville, Kilmarnock, King William, King & Queen, Lawrenceville, Lively, Montross, Old Church, Port Royal, Reedville, Saluda, South Brunswick, Stony Creek, Tappahannock, and Warsaw exchanges.

(3) A copy of this Order and the Fourth Joint Application shall be made available for public inspection at the Commission's Document Control Center located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, from 8:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

(4) On or before September 21, 2001, Verizon Virginia or Verizon South, as applicable, shall directly mail a notice to each customer served in Pearisburg, Barnesville, Bowling Green, Boynton, Callao, Capron, Charlotte Court House, Chase City, Clarksville, Colonial Beach, Dawn, Deltaville, Disputanta, Doswell, Drakes Branch, Emporia, Farnham, Hague, Heathsville, Irvington, Jarratt, Keysville, Kilmarnock, King William, King & Queen, Lawrenceville, Lively, Montross, Old Church, Port Royal, Reedville, Saluda, South Brunswick, Stony Creek, Tappahannock, and Warsaw exchanges separately addressing the expanded local calling for each applicable exchange and detailing the basic monthly rate increase proposed. However, the form of this notice should first be reviewed by the Division of Communications. At a minimum, the notice should address the

specific expanded local calling for the customer's exchange and contain the following:

NOTICE OF APPLICATION BY VERIZON VIRGINIA
INC. f/k/a BELL ATLANTIC-VIRGINIA, INC. AND
VERIZON SOUTH INC. f/k/a GTE SOUTH
INCORPORATED TO IMPLEMENT EXPANDED LOCAL
CALLING BETWEEN CERTAIN ADJACENT EXCHANGES

On August 1, 2001, Verizon Virginia Inc. and Verizon South Inc. filed a joint application with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") to implement additional expanded local calling routes as ordered by the Commission in approving the merger of GTE South Incorporated with Bell Atlantic Virginia, Inc. (now Verizon South Inc. and Verizon Virginia Inc.).

Implementation of the expanded local calling to the adjacent exchanges will cause local monthly rates to increase, but this increase may be offset by the elimination of current long distance charges between the affected exchanges.

Accompanying this notice is an explanation of how your local exchange rates may increase, a notice showing your exchange's current calling area and proposed new calling area, and your exchange's current rates and proposed new rates.

Any customer wishing to comment on the proposed implementation of the expanded local calling routes or to request a hearing on the application may do so by filing such comments or requests for hearing in writing with the Clerk of the State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, Post Office Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118, on or before October 22, 2001. Any such filing should refer to Case No. PUC000204 and include the customer's telephone number and originating exchange. Any corporation shall be represented by

counsel in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 5 VAC 5-20-30, and shall file an original and fifteen (15) copies of any such comments or requests for hearing. Individuals may file single copies of comments or requests for hearing.

VERIZON VIRGINIA INC.
VERIZON SOUTH INC.

(5) On or before October 12, 2001, Joint Applicant's shall furnish proof of the notice given as prescribed herein.

(6) On or before October 22, 2001, customers of Verizon South who may be affected by the expanded local calling in their exchange may file written comments or requests for hearing about the proposed additional expanded local calling routes with the Clerk of the Commission. Any corporation shall be represented by counsel according to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 5 VAC 5-20-30, and shall file an original and fifteen (15) copies of any comments or requests for hearing on or before the deadline. Individuals may file single copies of comments and requests for hearing. All comments or requests for hearing shall be filed with Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, Post Office Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118 and shall refer to Case No. PUC000204.